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REMARKS

Applicant is currently amending claims 1, 15, and 25 pursuant to Applicant's telephone interview with the Examiner on May 7, 2008, and the Examiner's Amendment accompanying the Notice of Allowance mailed May 28, 2008. In particular, Applicant is amending claims 1, 15, and 25 to recite, in part, "a molar ratio Mg/Ti ranges from 7 to 120. . . ." The current language commensurate with the language used in the original, and now cancelled, claim 12.

Additionally, Applicant is adding new claims 31-34. Applicant respectfully believes new claims 31-34 do not necessitate any additional examination by the Examiner, since new claims 31-34 depend from allowed claims 15 and 25. Furthermore, basis for claims 31-34 can be found in Applicant's specification on page 3, lines 5-6.

These amendments do not introduce new matter within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §132. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the supplemental amendments.

1. Telephone Interview

Applicant kindly thanks the Examiner for the telephone interview of May 7, 2008. Accordingly, as discussed, Applicant has amended each independent claim to recite, ". . . wherein a molar ratio Mg/Ti ranges from 7 to 120. . . ."

In light of the above, claim 1-11, 13, and 15-34 are therefore believed to be novel and patentably distinct from the references of

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record. As such, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

Based upon the above remarks, the presently claimed subject matter is believed to be novel and patentably distinguishable over the references of record. The Examiner is therefore respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw all rejections, and allow all pending claims 1-11, 13, and 15-30. Favorable action with an early allowance of the claims pending in this application is earnestly solicited.

The Examiner is welcomed to telephone the undersigned practitioner with any questions or comments.

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